STANDARD AIRCRAFT CHARACTERISTICS AD-4N "SKYRAIDER" DOUGLAS


## MISSION AND DESCRIPTION

The principle mission of the $A D-4 N$ aircraft is that of night attack or submarine attack. It may also be used as a torpedo plane or scout. This model of the $A D-4$ series is a single engine, three place attack airplane with all necessary equipment for operation from carriers. General arrangement is similar to the $\mathrm{AD}-3 \mathrm{~N}$ airplane. By interchange of equipment, the airplane may be converted to perform either of its principle missions.

The fuselage arrangement provides separate compartments for the pilot and radar operator. The pilot's compartment contains the flight controls and instruments, bombing, torpedo, rocket firing, sonobuoy dispensing, wing folding arresting gear, etc. controls. The after compartment has accommodations for a radar opera-tor-navigator with partial control of the radio, complete control of radar equipment, radar bombing attachment, sonobuoy receiver, auto pilot, and navigational instmments, and for an RCA operator with partial control of the radio and control of the radar counter-measure equipment. An entrance door is provided on each side of the after compartment for normal access and through emergency release for bail-out.

| WEIGHTS |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Loadings |  |
| War |  |
| BASIC | 12, |
| DESIG | 15,60 |
| COMBAT | 16,0 |
| MAX.T.O..(Cat.)..19, |  |
| (Field)..24,832*.4.3$\text { MAX .LD. (Smooth) . . } 19,000 \ldots . .$ |  |
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| MAX.LD. (Smooth) ..19,000...... |  |
| (Arrest.)..17,000. |  |
| *Tentative. Limited by space. |  |
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| FUEL AND OIL |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Gal. | No. Tanks | Location |
| 380 | 1 | Fuse, S.S. |
| 150 | 1 | Ctr., Drop |
| 300 | 2 | Wing, Drop |

FUEL GRADE..... $115 / 145$
FUEL SPEC......AN-F-48

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CAPACITY (Gals.)........... 31
GRADE......................... 1120
SPEC. .......................... AN-0-8

| DIMENSIONS |
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| WING AREA.......... 400 sq. ft. SPAN................... $50^{\prime}-0^{n}$ LENGTH.................38 - $2^{\prime \prime}$ HEIGHT................. $15^{\prime}-8^{n}$ TREAD.................. $131^{1}-11^{11}$ PROP. CLEAR..................... $6^{n}$ |




| PERFORMANCE SUMMARY |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| LOADING CONDITION | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \hline \text { (1) ATTACK } \\ \text { 1-50\#t, } 6=10 \mathrm{Hat} \\ \text { Bombs, 1-150 } \\ \text { Gal. Tank } \\ \hline \end{array}$ |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { (5) ATTACK } \\ 18 \text { MK . Thorp. } \\ 8 \text { HPAGOckets } \\ \text { Sonobuoy Disp. } \end{gathered}$ |
| TAKE-0FF WEIGHT Lbs. | 18,155 |  |  | 18,649 |
| Fuel (Fixed/Drop) Ibs. | 2,280/900 |  |  | 2.280 |
| Bombs lbs. | 1,100 |  |  | 1,200 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Wing/Power Loading (A) lbs/sq.ft; lbs/bhp. | 45.4/9.6 |  |  | 46.6/9.8 |
| Stall Speed--Power off kn | 81.3 |  |  | 82.4 |
| Stall Speed--Power off - No Fuel kn. | 73.9 |  |  | 77.2 |
| Stall Speed--Power on kn | 76.2 |  |  | 77.2 |
| Maximum Speed/Ait (B) km/ft. | 257/18,100 |  |  | 252/18,000 |
| Take-off Distence, deck - calm ft. | 858 |  |  | 924 |
| Take-off Distence, deck 25 kn . fto | 410 |  |  | 448 |
| Take-off Distance, Airport ft. |  |  |  |  |
| Rate of climb - sea level (B) ft/min. | 2,230 |  |  | 2,090 |
| Service Ceiling (B) ft. | 28,700 |  |  | 27,600 |
| Time-to-climb $10,000 \mathrm{ft}$. (B) min. | 4.9 |  |  | 5.3 |
| Time-to-cilmb 20,000 ft. (B) min. | 12.5 |  |  | 14.0 |
| Combat Kange/V av 15,000 ft. nomi/kn | 1,015/170 |  |  | 600/172 |
| Combat Radius/V av A-1 ft. nomi/kn | 420/175 |  |  |  |
| Endurance/V av 1,500 ft. $\mathrm{hr} / \mathrm{kn}$ 。 |  |  |  | 4.9/120 |
| LOADING CONDITION | (2) COMBAT | (3) COMBAT | (4) COMBAT |  |
| GROSS WEIGHT lbs. | 16,021 | 16,021 | 16,021 |  |
| Engine power | Combat | Military | Normal |  |
| Fuel lbs. | 2,280 | 2,280 | 2,280 |  |
| Bombs/Tanks | AN/APS-19A | AN/APS-19A | AN/APS-19A |  |
| Max, speed at sea level kn . | 298 | 278 | 261 |  |
| Max. speed/Alt $\mathrm{kn} / \mathrm{ft}$. | 301/10,700 | 294/16,000 | 291/18,400 |  |
| Combat speed/Alt $\mathrm{kn} / \mathrm{ft}$. | 297/1.500 | 282/1,500 | 265/1,500 |  |
| Rate of climb SL ft/min. | 3,890 | 3.470 | 2,900 |  |
| Ceiling for $500 \mathrm{fom} \mathrm{R} / \mathrm{C}$ ft. | 30,500 | 30,500 | 30,500 |  |
| Time-to-climb/Alt. min/ft. |  |  |  |  |
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## NOTES

## (A) BHP at Maximum Critical Altitude <br> (B) Normal BHP

Performance is based on flight test of $A D-1$ and $A D-1 Q$. Combat range, radius, and endurance are based on engine manufacturer's specification fuel consumption data increased 5\%.
Cond. (5) Vav. for maximum endurance calculated as 113 kn . Endurance for $V_{a v}=120 \mathrm{kn}$. used because of poor handling qualities at 113 kn . Except for different altitude and speed, same conditions were assumed for endurance as those used in calculating combat range.

AN/APS-19A radar carried in all conditions.



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## NOTES

Combat conditions (2), (3), and (4) include $6 \mathrm{Mk}-55$ wing racks.
Removal of 6 Mk-55 wing racks and addition of $8 \mathrm{Mk}-9$ rocket launchers to Cond. (2) reduces $\nabla_{\text {max }}$ S. L to 296 kn . and $V_{\max } / \mathrm{ACA}$ to $299 \mathrm{kn} . / 10,700 \mathrm{ft}$. Addition of 8 launchers and $8-5^{\prime \prime}$ HPAG increases gross weight of Cond. (2) to $17,011 \mathrm{lbs}$. and decreases $V_{\max }$. S . L . to 283 kn . and $V_{\max } / \mathrm{ACA}$ to 286 kn 。 $/ 10,700 \mathrm{ft}$. Twelve 100 lb bombs or twelve 250 lb , bombs can be carried at Mk-9 rocket launcher positions by replacing launchers with Mk-55 bomb racks.

All loadings include 2 Mk-5l wing bomb racks with sway bracing and fuselage bomb ejector with sway bracing. Twenty gallons of ADI fluid are available for 12 minutes at combat power.
Spotting: 200 ft . length is required to spot 20 planes on the 96 ft. wide deck immediately aft of the forward ramp on the CV-9 class carriers.
 The following Electronics equipment will be service installed:

SONOBUOY RECEIVER. ..............AN/ARR-31
RADAR RELAY RECEIVER..........AN/ARR-27
attack combat radius formula no. a-1

| WARMS-UP | RENDEZVOUS | CLIMB | CRUISE-OUT | DROP TANKS | COMBAT | CRUISE-BACK | RESEPVE |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 20 min . | 20 min . at | to | at 15,000 | DESCEND | 15 min . at | at 1,500 ft. | 60 min . at |
| $\frac{1}{2}$ Normal | Sea Level | 15,000 ft. | ft. 180 | to 1,500 ft. | 1,500 ft. 5 | $170 \mathrm{kts}$. | $V$ for |
| RPM | at 60\% | at Normal | kts. TAS | DROP BOMBS | min. combat |  | Max. Range at |
| TAKE-OFF | N . Pr. | Power | Normal | FIRE | and 10 min . | Normal | 1,500 ft. |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1 \text { min. } \\ & \text { at } T . O . P r . \end{aligned}$ | Normal Mixture | Normal Mixture | Mixture | ROCKETS | N . Pr. | Mixture | Normal Mixture |

RADIUS $=$ CLIMB $\not \subset$ CRUISE-OUT $=$ CRUISE-BACK

